



**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In re Application of:**

Frank L. Hall

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**For:** METHODS FOR PREPARING BALL  
GRID ARRAY SUBSTRATES VIA USE OF  
A LASER

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**AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

This amendment is in response to the Office Action of June 20, 2006, whose initial period of response is set to expire on September 20, 2006.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.